The Council re-assembled at the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at 11 a.m. on Thursday, the 22nd day of March 1923, the hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR, K.C.S.I., C.I.E., President, presiding.

I
AMENDMENTS TO STANDING ORDERS.

The hon. the PRESIDENT announced that the amendments to the Standing Orders passed by the Council on the 12th March 1923 received the assent of His Excellency the Governor on the 20th March 1923.

II
PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Rao Sahib U. RAMA RAO :—" I beg to present to this Council a monster petition signed by over 20,000 people belonging to the district of South Kanara and consisting of big landholders, vakils, doctors, temple owners and others regarding the Hindu Religious Endowments Bill.

" I have the honour to present another petition in connexion with the Hindu Religious Endowments Bill signed by the Mahant of Tirupati on the same lines as the other petition.

" Both these petitions fulfil the requirements of the Standing Orders."

The SECRETARY then read an abstract of the petitions.

III
DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS FOR 1922-23.

The consideration of the demands for supplementary grants for 1922–23 left over from the list of business for the 20th March 1923 was resumed.

Grant III.

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur :—" Sir, I beg to move—

> *That the Government be granted an additional sum of Rs. 1·02 lakhs under 'Stamps'.*

The various items which go to make up this grant and the reasons which have contributed to an increase of expenditure under each one of them will be found fully explained at pages 3 and 4 of the detailed memoranda attached to the schedule of supplementary demands."

The motion was put and carried and the grant made.

Grant IV.

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP :—" Sir, I beg to move—

> *That the Government be granted an additional sum of Rs. 27,800 under 'Forests' to meet additional expenditure on account of loss by Exchange."*

The motion was put and carried and the grant made.

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP :—" Sir, I beg to move—

> *That the Government be granted an additional sum of Rs. 1,29,100 under 'Forests' to meet additional expenditure under 'General Direction—Establishment and Buildings'.*